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**(54) REFLECTING LAYER OR TRANSLUCENT REFLECTING LAYER FOR OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM AND SPUTTERING TARGET FOR THE MEDIUM****(57)Abstract:**

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a reflecting layer or a translucent reflecting layer for an optical recording medium having a high reflectance and excellent in durability.

SOLUTION: The reflecting layer or the translucent reflecting layer comprises an Ag-base alloy containing  $\geq 0.5$  at.% Cu and 0.5-3 at.%, in total, of at least one element selected from the group comprising Nd, Sn and Ge and/or  $\geq 0.1$  at.% at least one rare earth element.

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